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Kresge Foundation Grant Aids Construction Project

The Kresge Foundation has awarded a grant of \$100,000 to Taylor University toward the construction of a physical education facility and remodeling of the present gymnasium into a chapel/auditorium.

President Milo A. Rediger has been officially informed of the grant by William H. Baldwin, President and Trustee of The Kresge Foundation.

Payment of the grant is conditional upon (1) certification by June 15, 1975 that the balance of the funds have been secured in full, and (2) notification that project costs are within available resources.

Early this spring, the Taylor Board of Trustees approved the construction of a physical education facility and the remodeling of Maytag Gymnasium into a 1,600 seat chapel/auditorium.

This decision was made in response to the recommendation of the Forward Planning Commission of the Board of Trustees and in keeping with the Trustees' stipulation that all funds for this project be secured from sources not now providing financial support to Taylor.

During the past nine months gifts and pledges totaling \$1,075,000 have been received

for the project.

"In view of the confidence and generosity of The Kresge Foundation and the substantial and broad-based support of a great many friends of Taylor, the project will be launched yet this summer," President Rediger stated. "In view of rapidly-rising building costs, this early construction date should save the University many thousands of dollars," Rediger added.

Construction on the physical education facility is now underway and should be completed by January, 1975. The remodeling of Maytag Gymnasium is to begin at that time, and is to be ready for use as a chapel/auditorium by September, 1975.

The new facilities will meet top-priority space requirements for the student body of 1,425. Maytag Gymnasium was built in 1931 when the student body was under 500. For the past decade it has operated on a 20-hour day from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. All major concerts, lectures, religious services, convocations, and special programs have been held in the gym in addition to the ambitious physical education program of classes, intercollegiate athletics, and intramural

sports.

Taylor has not had a chapel/auditorium for many years. The original facility, the 350-seat Shreiner Auditorium was housed in a music building erected in 1912. In the 1950's its use became limited to drama and recitals due to expanding enrollment. Following a major fire in 1972, "Shreiner" was remodeled into a little theatre.

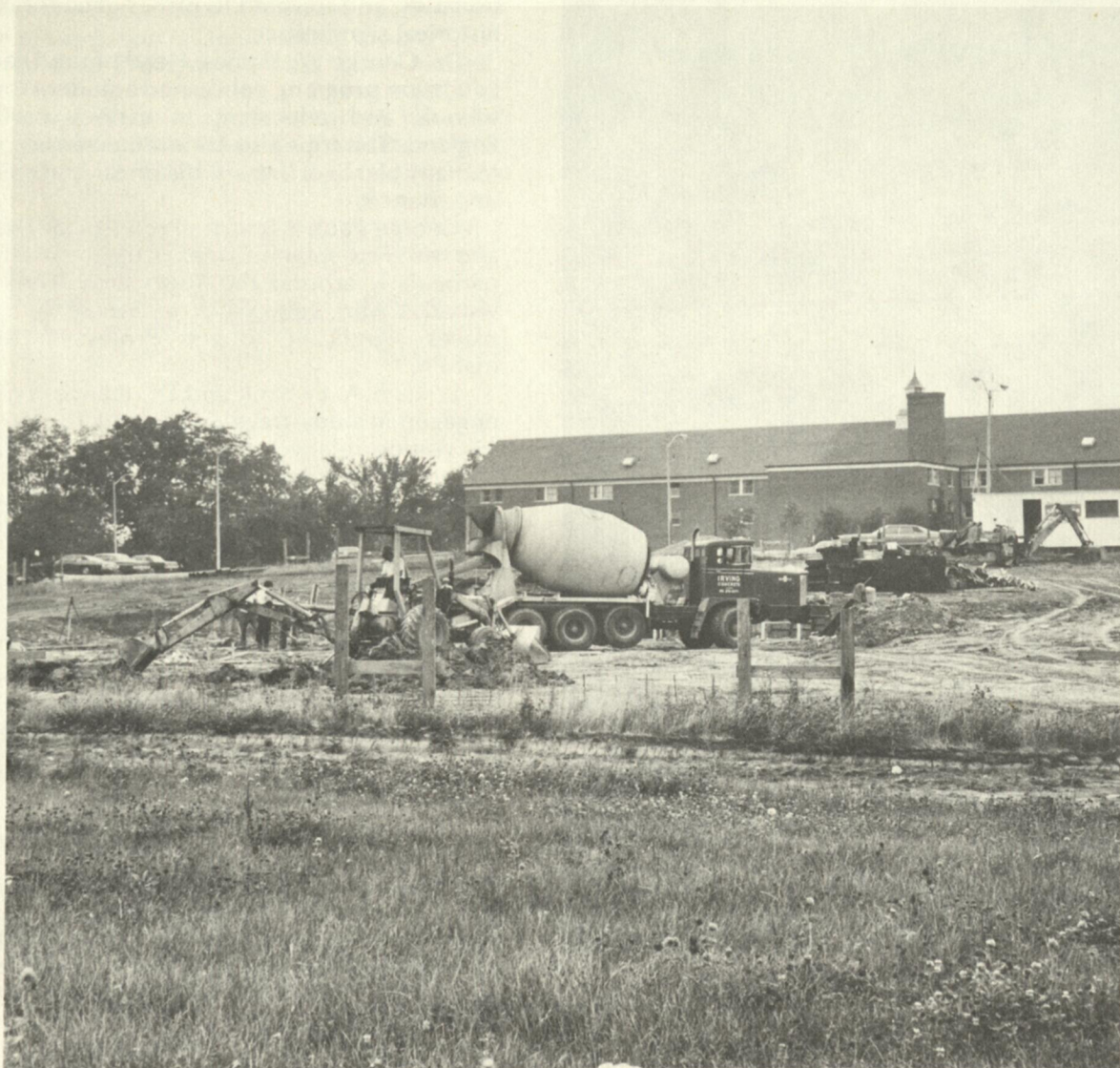
The Kresge Foundation, one of the largest in the United States in size of assets and appropriations, was created solely through the gifts of the late Sebastian S. Kresge. Kresge, founder of the S. S. Kresge Company, tithed on a grand scale: at his death, his personal estate amounted to one-tenth of the book value of stock he had given to the Foundation during his lifetime. The S. S. Kresge Company and The Kresge Foundation are not related in any way except that both had the same founder.

Most Foundation support is in the form of challenge grants to education, health services, the arts, social welfare agencies of various kinds, and the care of the young and the aging. Construction and major renovation of facilities is the Foundation's primary concern.

Construction Underway on Two Projects

Construction on the \$900,000 physical education facility is underway. The pre-engineered steel and masonry building will be located northwest of the Dining Commons near the football practice field.

The 40,000 square foot structure will house a basketball arena, three cross courts for intramurals, plus other facilities and offices. The gymnasium will seat 2,000 in bleachers and an additional 900 on folding chairs for convocations.



The women's residence hall which will replace MCW is under construction. As the photo shows, it will be located east of South Hall. An infirmary, a self-contained 12-bed unit will be near the new residence hall. The housing project will be funded from a 3 per cent 40-year loan from HUD, while the cost of the infirmary is being underwritten by the Ellen Haakonsen Memorial Fund and a Kresge Foundation grant. Both facilities are scheduled for construction during the 1974-75 academic year.

Donors Establish New Giving Record

Gift Totals Exceed \$1.8 Million

Total giving to Taylor for the 1973-74 year which ended June 30, surpassed all previous records, reaching a new high of \$1,810,009.

Giving by several groups of friends brought substantial increases as the following figures show:

Donor Group	1973-74	1972-73
Alumni and Parents	\$332,531	\$ 98,940
Friends	686,334	184,322
Trustees	79,051	41,305
Faculty and Staff	35,517	36,630
Business-Industry	274,372	143,427

The number of moderate-sized gifts is highly significant. A total of 8,113 gifts under \$50.00 provided a continuing, broad base of support. These gifts also represent personal interest and concern that are an inspiration to the faculty and staff.

As the figures show, in spite of the discouraging increase in living costs, the support of faculty and staff continues to be exemplary.

Among the major gifts were the following:

\$384,775 from the Sarah Long Trust.

\$384,775 from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., matching the Sarah Long Trust.

\$90,000 from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., for Systems Analysis curriculum.

\$50,000 annual unrestricted grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc.

\$75,000 Matching Challenge Fund sponsored by local businessmen.

\$50,000 in commercial real estate.

Annual Fund giving for the past year reached a new record of \$343,719 compared with \$288,674 in 1972-73. Thus, the goal of \$341,000 needed by June 30 to balance the annual operating budget was reached.

In addition, a gratifying number of donors gave substantial deferred gifts in the form of wills, annuities, charitable remainder trusts, and through other estate planning programs.

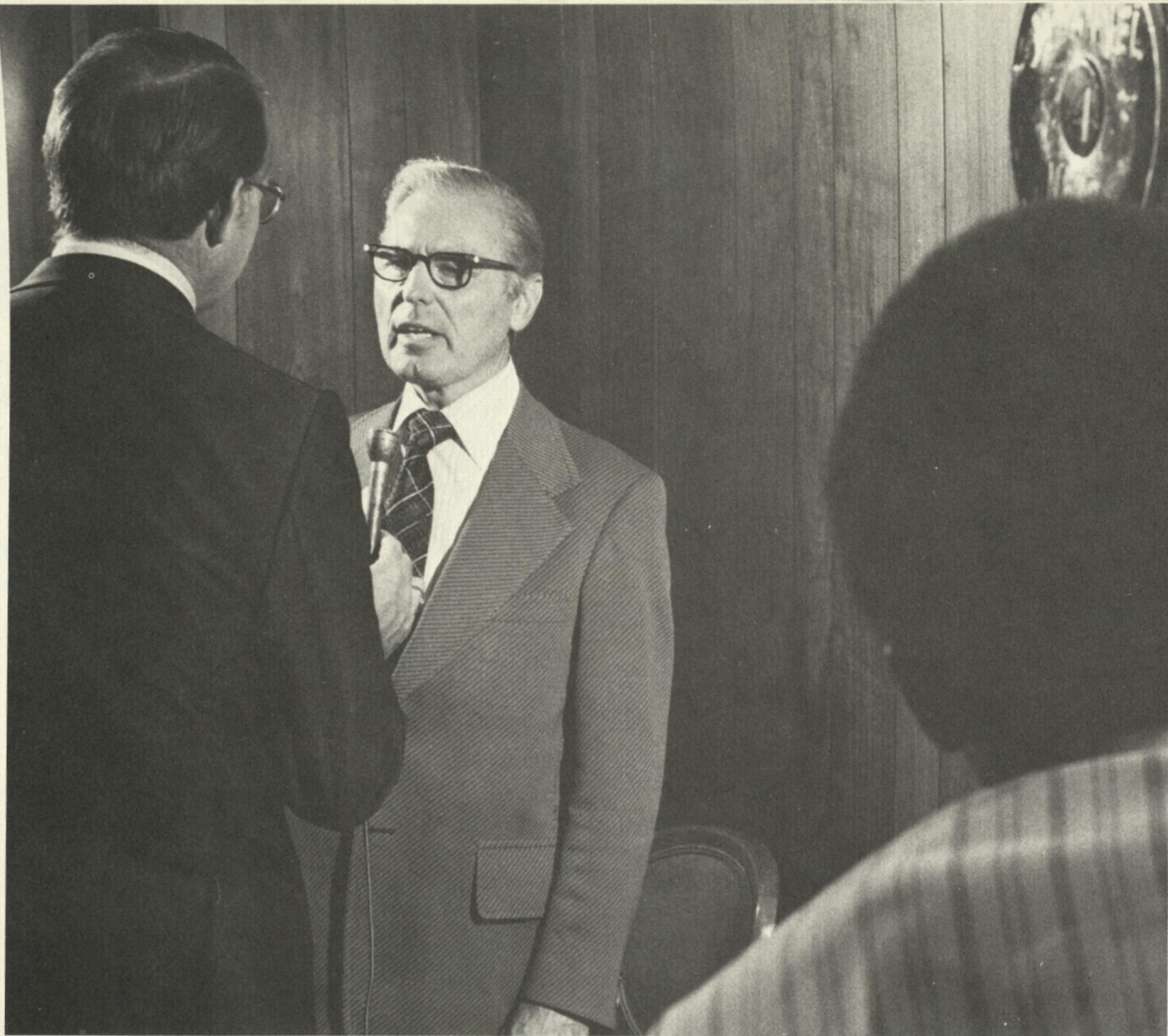
"Needless to say, this broad and generous response and expression of confidence in Taylor is permitting us to accomplish vital things that otherwise would not be possible," President Milo A. Rediger commented. "These include proceeding on the new 1.4 million dollar gymnasium and chapel-auditorium project, strengthening the academic program on several fronts, improved, but not yet adequate faculty salaries, doubling the endowment in just one year, and expanding our student aid program."

"The multiplied blessings of the past year reaffirm our steadfast confidence that God's hand is upon Taylor and His benediction is upon its outreach," Dr. Rediger concluded.



The Rev. Earl Hartman (right center) of Tampa, leads his first session as President of the Alumni Council during July meeting in the Braden Room.

Celebrity Golf Tourney



Chuck Marlowe of WTTV interviews President Milo A. Rediger following a press conference July 30 when Don Odle and Marion Crawley announced plans for a celebrity golf tourney August 29 to raise funds for the new gymnasium. Leading sports newsmen from Indianapolis attended.

Trustees,
Alumni Council
Elect New Members

Robert A. Cotner '58, Doris (McBride) Knoblock x'58, and James Mathis '64 have been elected to three-year terms on the Taylor University Alumni Council. Their terms of office will begin at Homecoming in October, at which time the three-year terms of Roger Beaverson '59, Dr. Joseph Brain '61, and Betty (Augustine) Burden '60 will expire.

V. Donald Jacobsen '53, nominated by the alumni, has been elected by the Taylor University Board of Trustees for a five-year term. In addition, David Oman '74 was elected by the Senior Class to serve a three-year term on the Council. Stephen Raymond was elected by the Senior Class of 1975 as their Council representative for the coming year.

Bob Cotner is Chairman of the English Department, Montgomery College, Maryland, and is President of the Washington D. C. Taylor Club. Mrs. Knoblock is an organizer of the greater Saginaw Valley Taylor Club and Chairwoman of the Christian Women's Club of Flint. Jim Mathis is pastor of the Upland Evangelical Mennonite Church and former Head Resident Advisor at Taylor.

V. Donald Jacobsen is Manager of Industrial and Labor Relations, Western Electric, and is an Advisory Board member of Sports Ambassadors and International Institute.

Taylor
Faculty Study
Abroad

Several Taylor professors participated in teaching and study-travel programs abroad this summer.

Carl Gongwer, Associate Professor of Spanish, coordinated and directed the "Jet Series" and "Passport" Study programs to Mexico from July 27-August 18. In addition to class sessions in Spanish, the group of college students visited with Wycliffe Bible Translators and other missionaries, and traveled to places of cultural and historical significance.

Dr. George W. Haines, Head of the Teacher Education program, conducted a student tour of schools and educators in various parts of England. The trips also featured extensive visits to many places of literary, historical, and cultural importance.

George Faul, Associate Professor of French, and Mrs. Faul spent six weeks studying in France, particularly around the Tours area. They also visited L'Abri Fellowship in Switzerland and places significant to the Protestant Reformation.

William A. Ewbank and Dr. Frances Ewbank engaged in study-travel in England, June 17-July 15, visiting relatives and friends and places of literary importance. He is Associate Professor of Mathematics and Dr. Ewbank is Professor of English and Literature.

Dr. Dale Heath, Head of the Ancient Language Department and Professor of History, spent July 20-August 28 traveling and studying in Italy and Greece. His personal studies included the 3rd-5th century A.D. development of Christianity, the Italian Renaissance, and Homeric legends. He also spent time with the Vergilian Society School for Roman Classical studies where he studied the later Roman Republic.

President and Mrs. Milo A. Rediger were among fifty Taylor-related persons who attended the International Congress on World Evangelization at Lausanne, Switzerland. These included alumni, present and former Trustees and parents of students.

Club Meeting Schedule

The following Taylor University Club schedule is announced by Jack Van Vessem, Director of Alumni Affairs:

- September 7
- September 21
- October 5
- November 2
- Greater Chicago
- Northeast Ohio
- Western Michigan
- Greater New York

Systems Director And Associate Named

The appointment of two men to direct the Systems Analysis program for the duration of the Lilly Endowment, Inc., grant has been announced by Professor R. Waldo Roth, Director of the Computing Center.

The new director of the program is Dr. Leon Adkison of Richmond, Virginia. John Kastelein of Houston, Texas, also is joining the staff to give leadership to the program.

Dr. Adkison has been Assistant Professor of Information Systems at Virginia Commonwealth University. While there he authored numerous articles including several study guides and instructors manuals for use in a "Computers in Society" course. His doctorate in physics is from Texas Christian University. He also has received numerous awards during his graduate program, including being named a National Science Foundation Fellow.

Dr. Adkison has been active in community and church activities including serving on the deacon board at the First Baptist Church of Richmond. In addition, he has been involved in applying systems techniques to urban problems.

John Kastelein is a graduate of Jamestown College and has taken graduate work at Northeastern University and the University of Michigan. He has thirteen years' experience in systems as an employee of the Univac Division of the Sperry Rand Corporation (MIT Laboratory), TRW Systems (Apollo Mission). Mr. Kastelein received the Apollo Achievement Award from NASA while doing systems work for the Apollo Program. He also is co-owner of an electrical contracting firm.

He has been active in numerous Christian activities including helping to establish the Clear Lake Community Church where he served as an elder for four years. His two brothers, David and Daniel, are Taylor graduates.

Dr. Heath Named Professor of the Year

Dr. Dale E. Heath, Professor of Ancient Languages and History, has been named the Distinguished Professor for 1973-74 by action of the Alumni Awards Committee and the student Scholastic Affairs Committee.

The award citation which was read at the time of the presentation in chapel stated in part, "The Distinguished Professor . . . has given himself unreservedly to his teaching and has earned the highest respect and appreciation of his colleagues and students alike. An educator with a devotion to scholarship, he has undertaken several strenuous archaeological and study expeditions to the Holy Land and other countries to help make his classroom teaching as effective as it has become."

Dr. Heath is a cum laude graduate of Greenville College, has the B.D. degree from Asbury Theological Seminary and the Ph.D degree from Michigan State University.

Keller Named To Post

Ronald Keller, Director of Admissions for the past six years, has been appointed Director of Admissions and Records at Taylor.

Mr. Keller came to Taylor in 1966 as Associate Director of Student Affairs. He has been Director of Admissions since 1968 and will continue in that capacity while also functioning as Registrar. One of his goals will be to integrate these two areas into an administrative unit.

E. Stanley Banker, Registrar for ten years, resigned this spring to return to the pastorate. His services at Taylor have been significant and deeply appreciated.

Texaco Presents Unrestricted Grant

Taylor University has again been selected as one of the privately-financed colleges in the United States to receive unrestricted grants under the Aid-to-Education Program of Texaco, Inc. The grant of \$1,500 for 1974 is the fourth awarded to Taylor by Texaco.

Taylor is one of the many colleges and universities included in Texaco's nationwide program of education support.

"During this time of excessive inflation, grants such as this from business and industry are very helpful in our efforts to increase faculty salaries," President Rediger commented.



Dr. Dale E. Heath is congratulated by appreciative students and faculty. With him is Mrs. Heath who is secretary to the Dean of the University.

Ethics and Government Lectures Announced

An "Ethics and Government" Lectureship Program will be held each Tuesday evening during October, Dr. William C. Ringenberg, Associate Dean, has announced.

Featured speakers and topics will be as follows:

- Oct. 8 "Ethics and Government, The Local Level." Speaker: M. Howard Rienstra, Professor of History, Calvin College; Grand Rapids City Councilman.
- Oct. 15 "Ethics and Government: The State Level." Speaker: Thomas Teague,

Indiana State Senator; Chairman, Indiana State Democratic Caucus; Co-Author, 1974 Indiana Ethics Law; Asst. Prof. of Political Science, Anderson College.

- Oct. 22 "Ethics and Government: The National Level." Speaker: John B. Anderson, U.S. Congressman for the Sixteenth Congressional District of Illinois; Chairman, Republican Conference.
- Oct. 29 "Ethics and Government: Citizen's Involvement." Speaker: Donald Barnhouse, professional news analyst and lecturer; Executive Director of the Philadelphia Committee of Seventy, a citizens organization.

Coming events		October	November
September	11-13	Homecoming weekend	
	18	Fort Wayne Chamber Orchestra with T. Daniel, 8:15 p.m.	
	8, 15		4 Danish Gym Team, 8:15 p.m.
27-29	Parents Weekend	22, 29	6-9 Theatre: The Trojan Women
29-Oct. 4	Spiritual Emphasis Week		

"Being and Becoming"

Homecoming, 1974

Friday, October 11

- 7:30 p.m. Coronation of Homecoming Queen
- 8:15 p.m. Queen's Reception
- 9:00 p.m. Concert — Maytag Gym
- 11:00 p.m. Old Fashioned Ice Cream Parlor — Dining Commons

Saturday, October 12

- 9:00 a.m. Registration and coffee
- 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Band Concert
- 10:15 a.m. Class Reunion meetings
- 11:00 a.m. Cross Country — Earlham College

- 11:30 a.m. Biology, Computing Center, and Physics Alumni Foundation meetings
- 1:30 p.m. Pre-game ceremony—Football field
- 2:00 p.m. Football — Earlham College
- 4:00 p.m. Coffee Hour
- 7:00 p.m. Alumni Banquet — Dining Commons
Recognition of Reunion classes and presentation of alumni awards
- 8:15 p.m. Drama — Little Theatre

Sunday, October 13

- 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship — Maytag Gym
- 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Dinner served in Dining Commons

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